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- $\bowtie$ The references were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the relevant part of the foreign Office Action is attached for the Examiner's information.
- $\boxtimes$ English language Abstracts of the non-English language references are attached 3. hereto.

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4. A computer-generated English language translation of the following Japanese references has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([http://www.jpo.go.jp]), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 1-6.

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(by Japanese Patent Office)

The examiner of the Japanese Patent Office says that it would have been an obvious for persons of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to invent the subject matter (Japanese Patent Application No. HEI 11-128686) based on the disclosures of the below-identified documents 1, 2 and 3.

(For information, each claim identified-below is corresponded to claim in Japanese Patent Application. Not be corresponded claim in the present Application.)

• Regarding to the invention related to claims 1 to 25: the Documents 1 to 6

The document 1 discloses that given contents data is replicated, and the replicated data is delivered to a user terminal, according to a delivery request from the user terminal.

The document 2 discloses that the delivery data is temporarily stored in a given storage area, and the data is appropriately delivered according to a user's request.

The document 3 discloses that it is determined whether delivery data is requested data.

The document 4 discloses that predetermined processing (transmission, deletion, and the like) is performed according to elapsed time of delivery data.

The document 5 discloses that data for which a delivery request is made is listed, and output processing is performed based on specific data.

The document 6 discloses that transmitted data includes data for prohibiting replication.

1. JP-A-11-306190

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2. JP-A-2000-10471

5. JP-A-11-261788

3. JP-A-08-279862

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